

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

KAREN S. SIMMONS,  
LAWRENCE L. SIMMONS, KAREN S. SIMMONS  
as next friend of A.A.S., a minor, and  
LAWRENCE L. SIMMONS, as next friend  
of A.A.S., a minor,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 1:10-cv-51  
Hon. Robert J. Jonker

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF  
GREATER KALAMAZOO,

Defendants.

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**ORDER**

Plaintiffs, proceeding *pro se*, have filed a document entitled “Mr. and Mrs. Simmons reply to the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Kalamazoo answer with affirmative defenses to verified complaint at law” (docket no. 15). Plaintiffs reply is not properly before the court. A plaintiff can file a reply to an answer only “if the court orders one.” Fed. R. Civ. P. 7(a). The court did not order a reply in this case. Accordingly, plaintiffs’ reply (docket no. 15) is **STRICKEN** as improperly filed. The court’s clerk is directed to remove this document from the court’s docket.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: June 3, 2010

/s/ Hugh W. Brenneman, Jr.  
HUGH W. BRENNEMAN, JR.  
United States Magistrate Judge